

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the claims without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows.

Please delete Table I on page 16 of the specification and replace with new Table 1 below:

batch	Buprenorphine %	aloe %	PSA	flux (hairless mouse skin)
001	15	20	DT 6173	2.3 $\mu\text{g}/(\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{h})$
002	5	20	DT 6173	0.8 $\mu\text{g}/(\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{h})$
003	10	10	DT 6173	0.9 $\mu\text{g}/(\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{h})$

Please delete the first paragraph on page 16, after Table I, with the paragraph below:

-----The flux data in Table I above demonstrate that the amount of aloe vera in the matrix efficiently impacts on the flux. Whereas a transdermal matrix system with only 10% of aloe leads to a max. flux of 0.9 $\mu\text{g}/(\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{h})$, a system containing 20% aloe vera (& 15% buprenorphine, see batch 001) shows a flux of up to 2.3 $\mu\text{g}/(\text{cm}^2\cdot\text{h})$.-----